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REPLY TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT (37 CFR 1.121)

This is in reply to the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment of August 19, 2005 in the above-identified application. A response is due by September 19, 2005. Applicant believes that no fee is required in connection with this reply. Applicants submit herewith an amended "Amendments to the Claims" section of the Reply filed on July 29, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.